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LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Pursuant to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the PTO on March 3, 2000 in connection with the above-identified application, it has come to the attention of the undersigned that an error was made in the publication date of the second document listed on Form PTO-1449. Therefore, attached hereto is a corrected Form PTO-1449 which should be substituted for the one previously submitted.

The Examiner is requested to initial and date the attached Form PTO-1449 and return the same to the undersigned.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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